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7. Membership and Branch Organisation.

The following scheme submitted by the Hon. Org. Secretary was unanimously agreed to by the Committee.

Membership Subscription.

The Subscription entitling to membership of the P.W.E.U. shall be 15/6, to cover both heads of household.

The subscription for Ex-Students of the House of Education, and Teachers in Public Elementary Schools shall be 7/6.

Parents' Review alone, 10/6.

The new rate of subscription shall not be compulsory for present members, but they shall be asked where possible to conform.

Branches.

Existing Branches shall be asked to conform, but it shall not be obligatory upon them to do so.

They shall pay capitation fees on the old basis on all subscriptions other than those sent to them from the Central Office.

New Branches.

Branches shall only be started where there is a membership of 50, and then only if there is a distinct local demand.

Area Secretaries.

Where there is a group of members over 10, but under 50 in number, an Area Secretary shall be appointed who will undertake on request to send members notices of Natural History Excursions, Reading Circles, P.U.S. classes, Musical appreciation classes, Shakespeare readings, Study circles, etc., as may be arranged.

Subscriptions.

All subscriptions shall be paid to the Central Office, and the Review sent from there.

Where the Central Office attaches members to a Branch or Area, the Central Office shall refund for local expenses, 5/- for every member attached to a Branch, and 2/6 for every member attached to an Area.

The Executive shall have power to grant Areas and Branches additional sums which may be deemed necessary, and at the end of every financial year, Areas and Branches shall refund any surplus funds to the Central Office.

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Members of the Union shall be entitled to receive a free ticket for the Annual Meeting, and shall be allowed to attend any meeting or lecture that is advertised in the Review, wherever it may take place.

Other advantages are detailed on the Membership form.

Branch and Area Representation.

Branches shall send one member as representative to the Executive Committee, and two if their membership exceeds a hundred.

An Area having 25 members may send one representative, and two if over a hundred.

8. Incorporation.

It was resolved to form the P.N.E.U. into an Incorporated Society.

It was decided that the next meeting should be held on Sept. 28th or 29th, 1920.

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MINUTES of the MEETING of the EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE, held at 36 Victoria Street, S.W.1., on Wednesday October 8th, at 2.45 p.m.

Present. Rev.H.Coastley White (in the Chair).

The Hon.Mrs.Franklin. Mrs.Howard Glover.
Dr.Helen Webb. Mrs.Fyfe.
Mrs.Bishop Harman. The Hon.Mrs.D'Arcy Hart.
Mrs.Newth.

Apologies were read from Lord and Lady Aberdeen, Lady Campbell, Col.the Hon.Douglas Carnegie, Mrs.Erin, Mrs.Parsons, and Mrs.Pell.

minutes. The Minutes of the last meeting were taken as read. Arising out of the Minutes, Mrs.Franklin read the following letter written by her to Miss Parish after the last meeting of the Executive Committee:-

15th July 1920.

"Dear Miss Parish,

It seems idle to try and put into words our feelings yesterday at the Executive Committee when we realised that we were no longer to have you with us as our Secretary and general adviser.

We naturally tried to express our gratitude and admiration of your work in the form of a resolution, which I was asked to convey to you, but I feel that formal resolutions are so bald that I am not attempting to do more than to say 'Thank you', though even 'thanking' you in a cause which is your cause seems rather absurd.

I believe you must carry with you on your holiday and into your future life the feeling of work well done, and though you are too tired to realise it now, that must bring, lasting joy and happiness.

I am not going to tell you what I feel myself; I believe you know.

With best wishes that Italy may bring you health and refreshment".

Mrs.Franklin said that Miss Parish had replied in a personal letter, part of which she read to the Committee.

Finance. Miss Jotcham presented the financial statement, as follows:-

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Cash in hand 30.0.0.

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It was agreed that the book trade should in future be on a cash basis, as far as possible, particularly in the case of individual purchasers; a tactfully worded note being sent in reply to orders, stating that books were ready and would be sent on receipt of cash. Exceptions to be made in the case of certain schools.

Mrs.Bishop Harman said that, in response to the appeal made in the "Parents' Review" for contributions towards the cost of the addressograph, two donations only had been received, one of £5, and the other a generous donation of £40 from a giver who wished to be anonymous. It was agreed to issue a second appeal in the "Review", mentioning the two gifts already received, and a vote of thanks was passed to the giver of the gift of £40. Mrs.Howard Glover suggested that silver collections for this purpose might be made at London Branch meetings.

Correspondence. (a) Mrs.Franklin gave the substance of extensive correspondence with Addressograph Ltd., with regard to their unsatisfactory carrying out of promises in regard to delivery. The Secretary was instructed to write to the firm, expressing the Committee's dissatisfaction and the hope that in future deliveries of the plates would be made more promptly.

(b) The Young Wives' Fellowship Committee having asked for the nomination of another member of the P.N.E.U., to take the place of Mrs.Fyfe, resigned, the Secretary was instructed to write and say that Mrs.Fyfe had consented to act again.

(c) The British and India Association asked for one or more delegates to attend a Conference on India on October 30th. Mrs. Bishop Harman agreed to attend.

(d) The Council for the Representation of Women in the League of Nations having written in reference to a subscription, the Committee agreed that the work of the Council, as representing women only, was outside the scope of the P.N.E.U.

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(e) the Duty & Discipline Movement invited the co-operation of the P.N.E.U. in a series of conferences to be held throughout the country, and asked for delegates to attend a preliminary meeting. It was agreed that, beyond sending a list of P.N.E.U. Secretaries, with whom they might communicate, closer co-operation was not desirable.

(f) Miss Owen, writing from Natal, said that work was very uphill, but she hoped much from the influence of some girls who had arrived from England and were acquainted with the P.N.E.U.

(g) Miss Maynell wrote resigning her membership, after many years, and expressing her appreciation of the help given by the Union.

(h) Rev. E. Lyttleton wrote expressing his regret at inability to serve on the Committee, and his appreciation of the work of the Union.

(i) Miss Doris Hunt wrote, on leaving the P.U.S., expressing her warm appreciation of the work and her enjoyment of the lessons.

(j) Letters were read from two correspondents, one of whom had read "A Liberal Education" at the British Museum and wrote for further information, and the other desiring particulars of the P.N.E.U. as a result of reading a paragraph in the "Queen".

Election of Chairman and Hon. Treasurer.

On the proposal of Mrs. Franklin, seconded by Mrs. Glover, Col. the Hon. Douglas Carnegie was unanimously elected to fill the position of Hon. Treasurer, in place of Mr. Perrin, resigned. A hearty vote of thanks was passed to Mr. Perrin for his long service as Hon. Treasurer, and it was unanimously agreed to recommend to the Council his election as a Vice-President.

On the proposal of Mrs. Glover, seconded by Mrs. Franklin, the appointment of Mr. Costley White as Chairman was unanimously confirmed, and Mr. Costley White was heartily welcomed in the Chair.

Membership for Parents of Children at Public Elementary Schools.

Mrs. Franklin brought forward a scheme, which she had submitted to the Committee earlier in the year. The scheme had been held back for the consideration of various people, and Mrs. Franklin read letters of criticism from two or three correspondents. It was agreed that the membership should be limited to the parents of children attending Public Elementary Schools where P.U.S. teaching was given; the subscription to be 2/6; lectures to be arranged; one copy of the "Review" to be sent for every six members; the members to be called "Associates" of the P.N.E.U.; subscriptions to be sent direct to the London Office, and a grant to be made from the office where necessary. It was agreed to send out the scheme with a covering letter, to the schools concerned, stating that the scheme was recommended, and asking if they would care

to adopt it.

Propaganda. Mrs. Glover read the report of the meeting of the Propaganda Committee. Miss Wix had given lectures as follows: Visit with Miss Pennethorne to Miss Dell's; meeting for parents of Council School children at Waterlooville Council School; ditto at Furbrook; visit to P.N.E.U. class at Furbrook C.E. School; meeting for Hants and Portsmouth teachers at Waterlooville, about 250 present; visit to three schools at Charlton Kings; one school at Swindon; two schools at Berkeley; also to schools at Bulley and Highnam, Nymphfield and Uley, Eastcombe and Chipping Sodbury, Thornbury (two schools), Frampton Cotterill and Winterbourne Down, and Downend.

Advertising. It was agreed to ask Miss Fuller to insert an advertisement of the "Review" in the next issue of the "Challenge".

Branch Reports.

Birmingham reported 10 members resigned and 10 joined in the year. Five lectures had been arranged for the session. Programmes of lectures had also been received from Surbiton, Reigate, Northwood, St. Albans, and Edinburgh. Mrs. Newth reported a very successful opening meeting at Northwood, 80 present. Mrs. Fyfe reported the programme of the London Branch.

Office News. 327 New Members were reported, 102 retired. 104 P.U.S. members, 59 retired. 12 New Elementaries, and 11 new Secondaries. There were 79 callers in the office.

Date of Next Meeting.

This was fixed for Wednesday November 17th, at 8.45.

Katherine Harman

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PARENTS' NATIONAL EDUCATIONAL UNION.

Founder Miss Charlotte M. Mason.
 President The Most Hon. the Marquess and Marchioness of Aberdeen and Temair.
 Chairman Col. The Hon. Douglas Carnegie.

Hon. Org. Sec. - The Hon. Mrs. FRANKLIN
 26, Portchester Terrace, Hyde Park
 At Home by appointment

Gen. and Org. Sec. Miss A. M. de PUTRON, O.B.E.

Asst. Org. Sec. Miss H. E. WIX

OFFICE OPEN, 10-1, and 2-4, except Saturdays
 Special Interviews with the Secretary by appointment.

Cheques and P.O.s should be made payable to
 Parents' National Educational Union, and crossed
 London County Westminster & Parr's Bank, Victoria St. Branch."

CENTRAL OFFICE,
 26, VICTORIA STREET
 LONDON, S.W.1

The next Meeting of the Executive Committee will be held here
 on Wednesday, Nov. 17th, 1920. at 2.45 pm.

A G E N D A .

1. Minutes.
2. Vote of Sympathy on the death of Sir Algernon Coote.
3. Election of New Members to Executive Committee.
4. Finance.
5. Correspondence.
6. To consider important communication from Miss Mason.
7. Propaganda Committee Report,
8. Incorporation,
9. Branch Reports.
11. Office News.
12. Appointment of General Secretary.
13. Appointment of Hon. Librarian.
14. Such other business as may arise.
15. Date of next Meeting.

MINUTES OF THE MEETING OF THE EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE, held at 26 Victoria
 Street, S.W.1, on Wednesday, November 17th. at 2.45 pm.

Present. Mrs Bishop Harman took the Chair in the absence of the
 Chairman, the Rev. H. Costley White.

The Hon. Mrs Franklin,
 Mrs Nowth,
 Mrs. D'Arcy Hart.

Mrs Cole.
 Mrs Baker.
 Mrs Pell.

Apologies. were read from Mr. Household, Mrs Clement Parsons and
 Mrs Bowen-Colthurst.

Vote of Sympathy. on the death of Sir Algernon Coote, Vice-President
 of the P.N.E.U.
 The Committee agreed that a letter should be written
 to Lady Coote, expressing their deep sympathy, and
 that the letter should be signed by the Chairman.

Election of two new members to the Executive Committee.

The new nominations were Miss Louisa Macdonald and
 the Lady Helen Cassel. Both were unanimously elected.

Miss Louisa Macdonald, proposed by Mrs. Franklin,
 seconded by Mrs. Bishop Harman.

The Lady Helen Cassel, proposed by Lady Celia Coates
 seconded by Mrs. Franklin.

Finance. Miss Jotcham presented the financial statement, as follows:-

Credit.	£. s. d.	Debit.	£. s. d.
Balance at Bank.	401.17.2.	London Branch Lect. Fees	3. 3. .
Cash in Hand.	12. . .	Salaries for Nov.	54. 3. 6.

BALANCE TO CREDIT. 356.10. 8.

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War loan	237.10. .
Deposit A/o	250. .
	£487.10. .

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Arising out of finance, a discussion took place as to whether it was necessary to send more than one reminder to members whose subscriptions were overdue, or whether the Parents' Review should be stopped until the member wrote to enquire for the magazine.

It was agreed by the Committee that the reminders should continue to be sent as before.

Correspondence. A letter was read from S.G. Arundale, Esq. Society for the Promotion of National Education, India, asking for particulars of the P.N.E.U. in connection with the educational reconstruction of India.

(2) The correspondence about the tenancy of the rooms in 26 Victoria Street was referred to, and it was agreed by the Committee that the lease should be sent to the Chairman to be signed.

(3) Mrs Franklin explained the letter from the Modern Educational Exhibition, who had returned £4 in compensation for the mistake which occurred in connection with the P.N.E.U. stall.

The Committee agreed that it was most generous.

Important communication from Miss Mason. Mrs Franklin asked the Committee to consider a letter to Miss Mason from the Mother Superior, Convent of Mercy, Waterford, who wishes to adopt Miss Mason's methods, and if possible, to have an Ambleside student as teacher for at least a couple of years. Miss Mason's answer to the Mother Superior was read, in which she said that the Mother Superior's letter appealed to her strongly and that the plan appeared quite feasible, but that there were many points to consider before anything could be done.

Mrs Franklin had written to Miss Mason congratulating her on the new opening, and she had said that as it would be a precedent for other countries it would need careful consideration as to name and connection with Ambleside.

On no account must a college in any way connected with the P.U.S. and P.N.E.U. methods maintain a lower standard of education than the House of Education.

A discussion followed as to the best means of keeping up the standard by means of examiners and students on the staff, and as to the name of such a college.

The Committee sanctioned the name Irish Catholic P.N.E.U. Training College, if anything further came of the matter.

After discussion it was agreed that the Committee viewed with interest such a development, and as far as they were concerned would sanction it, and that they would leave the actual working out of the scheme to Miss Mason, Mrs Franklin, Miss Parish and Miss Wix.

Propaganda Committee Report. In the absence of Mrs Glover, a summary of the Propaganda Committee Report was given by Mrs Franklin.

Mrs Franklin reported meetings at Berkhamsted, nine new members joined; meeting at Bristol, five new members. The Exhibits and Demonstrations at the Modern Educational Exhibition were favourably commented on by Secondary Education and elsewhere. The P.N.E.U. intended to have more room next year.

In a letter from a Headmaster working on P.U.S. lines, there was a suggestion that perforated or gummed slips should be attached to prospectuses of schools, advising parents to join the Union. This suggestion had been approved by the Propaganda Committee.

Miss Wix had reported meetings at the Modern Educational Exhibition, Buckhurst Hill, Romford (to teachers), Edinburgh (60 present), Aburdour, Glasgow, Littleborough, and Clitheroe.

There had been a meeting at Horsham (lecture to Domestic Science Teachers) and Miss Curry had addressed a public elementary school at Feltham and she had reported that the school hoped to adopt P.N.E.U. methods.

The Glasgow Meeting was very badly attended and the Propaganda Committee had suggested that the Executive should consider closing the Branch.

Discussion arising out of Propaganda Report. It was agreed that a letter should be written to the Glasgow Branch, and signed by the Chairman, bringing it to an end.

Incorporation. Mrs Franklin said that there was nothing further to report since last meeting.

Branch Reports.

Mrs Newth reported from Northwood five lectures that will take place between November 11th. and March 8th. Mrs Baker reported a meeting that took place at Snaresbrook on November 12th. where the address was given by Mrs. Franklin.

Office News.

136 new members were reported, 69 P.N.E.U. and 67 P.U.S. There had been 135 callers at the office. Thirty members had discontinued. Four new elementary schools had joined.

In connection with office news the question of reprinting Mrs Epps' book on "The British Museum for children" was raised.

It was agreed that Miss Bernau should be asked to undertake bringing it up to date for the sum of ten guineas, and that when it was ready, the matter of printing and all details should be again brought before the Committee.

Appointment of General Secretary. Mrs. Franklin asked the Committee to confirm the appointment of Miss Morton as General Secretary to the P.N.E.U. This was agreed.

Appointment of Hon. Librarian. Mrs Franklin proposed and Mrs Bishop Harman seconded the appointment of Mrs. Buchan as Hon. Librarian.

Date of next Meeting. It was agreed that there would be no Executive Committee in December, and the date fixed is January 26th. 1921, at 2.45 pm.

H. Costley White
Jan. 31. 1921

MINUTES OF THE EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE MEETING AT 20 VICTORIA STREET, S.W.1,
ON JANUARY 31st, 1921, at 2.45 pm.

PRESENT. The Rev. Dr. Costley White in the Chair.
The Marchioness of Aberdeen & Temair. (President.)
The Hon. Mrs. Franklin.
Mrs. Bishop Harman.
Lady Campbell,
The Hon. Mrs. D'Arcy Hart.
Lady Celia Coates.
Mrs. Pell.
Mrs. Howard Glover.
Miss Macdonald.
The Lady Helen Cassel.
Mrs. Fyfe.

MINUTES. The Minutes of the last Meeting were read and confirmed.

ARISING OUT OF MINUTES.

A letter of thanks was read from Lady Coote for the sympathy expressed by the Committee on the death of Sir Algernon Coote.

APOLOGIES.

Apologies for absence were read from Mrs. Newth, Mrs Greene, Mrs. Ekin. Mrs Clement Parsons, and Mrs Cole.

FINANCE.CREDIT.

*Bal. at Bank. 1132. 9. 4d.
Cash in Hand. 115. . .

£1247. 9. 4d.

*Add:

War Loan. 237.10. 0.
Deposit a/c 250. 0. 0.
487.10. 0.

DEBIT.

Gas a/c Dec. 1920. 2. 3. 4.
London Lecture Fee. 1. 1. 6.
Wadsworth Jan. P.R. 88. 8. 6.
Women's Print. Soc. 2. 8. 6.
Jan. Books. Approx. 700. . .
Salaries. Feb. 1921. 54. 3. 6.

Bal. to Credit. 599.13. .

£1247. 9. 4d.

GETTING OUT OF FINANCE.

A letter was read from Mrs. Thomas, to whom the rooms of Victoria Street are let, asking if the Committee would consider releasing her from her lease or allowing her to sublet in view of her moving to other premises in Bond Street.

After discussion, the Committee agreed that Mrs. Thomas should be asked to let the Office know if she had definitely decided to move, and that then the matter should again be brought before the Committee to decide as to whether it would be better to release her or to allow her to sub-let.

CORRESPONDENCE.

Several letters of interest on the work of the P.N.E.U. were read to the Committee.

- (1) Miss Cholmondeley's account of her Meeting.
- (2) Miss McKinley, Elem. School Teacher, wrote to the House of Education, to express her thanks for the help she had derived from their suggestions in trying "narration" in her Infants' School.

THAT MISS PARISH BE MADE AN HON. MEMBER OF THE EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE.

Mrs. Franklin proposed that Miss Parish should be an hon. member of the Executive Committee.

Dr. Costley White said that he feared this was impossible, though he would mention it to the Union's solicitor, as it was in the Articles of Incorporation that no salaried official of the Union could be a member of the Committee.

PROPAGANDA COMMITTEE REPORT.

The Report of the Propaganda Committee was read by Mrs. Howard Glover, and Dr. Costley White expressed the satisfaction of the Committee with the progress of the Propaganda work.

Miss Pennethorne reported her January Holiday Lectures, and future arrangements.

TO CONSIDER 25th. ANNUAL CONFERENCE.

It was reported that Bedford College had been asked if the Conference could be held there as early in July as possible, and the answer would be received in a few days.

A discussion followed as to speakers, subjects, and lectures. Dr. Costley White undertook to ask the Dean of St. Paul's if he would give an address, also the Rev. Harold Snason.

The actual title of the Conference and the speakers, etc.

would be brought up again before the Propaganda Committee and at the next Executive Committee Meeting.

Mrs. Franklin proposed that the Annual Meeting should be held at the same time as the Conference, as it would enable country members to attend both and save work at the Office.

Dr. Costley White seconded the proposal. Lady Helen Cassel asked that the Meeting should be in the afternoon, as it was easier for members to attend.

INCORPORATION OF P.N.E.U.

Dr. Costley White said that there some parts of the Articles of Incorporation that were a little difficult to make quite clear without discussion, and he suggested that a small sub-committee should be formed of Mrs. Franklin, Mrs. Howard Glover, Mrs. Bishop Harman, and himself to go through the Articles, and report on them at the next Executive Committee Meeting. If advisable, they were to ask Mr. Frost, the Hon. Solicitor to attend and help them.

Proposed by Lady Helen Cassel,
Seconded " Miss Macdonald.
Resolved.

TERMS OF AMALGAMATION WITH THE P.U.S. ASSOCIATION.

The P.U.S. Association was explained to the Committee by Mrs. Franklin.

The Association has been formed of old P.N.E.U. pupils, who may join at the age of eighteen, if they have been in the school for two years, and not left before they were eleven.

The annual subscription is 5/-, and for that each member has the right to a course of reading from Form V. Programme of the P.U.S. choosing her own subject, the use of the Library at 26 Victoria Street, and the right to attend Lectures of the P.N.E.U.

The question for the Committee to decide was the amount of the Affiliation Fee to be paid by this new Association and the number of copies of the Parents' Review it should receive for the fee.

It was resolved that the Affiliation Fee of the P.U.S.A. should be two guineas per annum, and for this they should receive three copies of the Review, besides the advantages already enumerated.

Proposed by Lady Helen Cassel,
Seconded by the Hon. Mrs. D'Arcy Hart.
Resolved.

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BRANCH REPORTS. Very little was reported from the Branches as the representatives were unable to attend the Meeting.

The London Branch reported the Meeting of the Educational Conference held at University College, on January 8th. Several lectures had also taken place since the last Executive Committee Meeting:

- (1) Lecture on Westminster Abbey, by Mr. Lethaby, at 50 Porchester Terrace, on December 20th, 1920.
- (2) Holiday Lectures for Children at the National Gallery and the British Museum by Miss Pennethorne and Miss Bernau.
- (3) Lecture on "The Importance of Early Training in the Formation of Life Habits." by Dr. Alice Hutchison, M.D.

A letter was brought before the Committee from Mrs. Ekin, Hon. Secretary of the Birmingham Branch, who is resigning the secretaryship at the end of this session.

OFFICE NEWS. Since the last Executive Committee Meeting on Nov. 17th, 1920, there were 175 new P.N.E.U. Members, 65 new P.U.S. Members, 133 discontinued, and 250 callers to the Office.

SUCH OTHER BUSINESS AS MAY ARISE.

It was reported that Miss Mason had agreed to reprint "Children as Persons" in the Parents' Review, and the Committee agreed that it should then be reprinted in pamphlet form, like the last edition, only the price would now be 1/-.

DATE OF NEXT MEETING.

The date of the next Meeting of the Executive Committee was fixed for Wednesday, February 23rd. at 2.45 pm.

*H. C. White
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MEETING OF THE EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE AT 28 VICTORIA STREET, S.W.
on FEBRUARY 23rd. 1921. at 2.45 pm.

PRESENT. The Rev. Dr. Coetley White in the Chair.
The Marchioness of Aberdeen & Temair. (President)
Colonel the Hon. Douglas Carnegie. (Hon. Treasurer)
Miss Macdonald. The Hon. Mrs. D'Arcy Hart.
Mrs. Bishop Harman. Dr. Helen Webb.
Mrs. Cole. Lady Celia Coates.
The Lady Helen Cassel. Lady Campbell.
The Hon. Mrs. Franklin.

APOLOGIES. Apologies for absence were read from Mrs. Clement Parsons, Mrs. Fyfe, and Mrs. Glover.

MINUTES. The Minutes of the last Meeting were confirmed.

ARISING OUT OF THE MINUTES. It was agreed that as Miss Parish, Vice-Principal of the House of Education, was not a salaried official of the P.N.E.U. she did not come under the Charter of Incorporation as ineligible for the Executive Committee. She was therefore elected an Hon. member of the Executive Committee.

Proposed. Mrs. Franklin.
Seconded. Colonel Carnegie.
Resolved unanimously.

FINANCE. The Hon. Treasurer presented the Financial Statement.

CREDIT.		DEBIT.	
*Bal. at Bank.	1155. 9. 4.	Books. A/Cs. to Date	500.
Cash in Hand	55. 4. 9.	Mason. P.U.S. Fees.	138. 15. 9.
		Eurt. Printing.	2. 12. 6.
		Wadsourth. Feb. Revs.	89. 5. .
		Salaries for Feb.	56. 5. .

Credit Balance. 373. 15. 10.
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Deposit	250. .
War Loan	237. 10. .
	<u>487. 10. .</u>

The Financial Statement was approved by the Committee.

CORRESPONDENCE. A letter from the Selborne Society was read to the Committee, suggesting that their rambles, etc. might interest the P.N.E.U.

The Committee agreed that the P.N.E.U. should offer to advertise the rambles in the Parents' Review sometimes if any help to the Selborne Society, but that it was not within the province of the P.N.E.U. to join other societies.

Several letters of interest were read, one from a schoolmaster at Harlow on the P.U.S.U. work, another from a subscriber to the Propaganda Fund, and two articles by Mr. A.A. Sainsbury, Bridge School, Wealdstone, were shown to the Committee.

PROPAGANDA COMMITTEE REPORT. The Report was read by Mrs. Franklin in the absence of Mrs. Glover.

The Conference was fixed for June 21st. 22nd. 23rd, subject to securing the hall. The subject is to be "Knowledge is the basis of National Strength". Various Speakers were to be approached.

It was also reported that a first Group of P.N.E.U. Associates among parents of children attending Public Elementary Schools working on Miss Mason's lines, had been successfully formed by Miss Dell, New Park Road Girls' School, Brixton. 68 parents had joined, paying 2/6d. to cover both heads of the family.

The Hon. Organising Secretary reported Meetings at Haddenhead and Hampstead Way.

Under Correspondence a letter was read from Miss Goode, Principal of Burgess Hill School stating that two pupils had passed the Senior Cambridge with Honours, one with distinction in more subjects than any other competitor. Both had been P.U.S. pupils all their lives.

ANNUAL CONFERENCE. The Conference is to be held at the Royal College of Medicine, Wimpole Street from June 21st. for 3 days.

The title is "Knowledge is the basis of National Strength." Several speakers had been approached and had consented to speak. The Dean of St. Paul's, the Marchioness of Aberdeen, Mr. Household, Mr. De la Mare, Mr. Alington, and Miss Macdonald. Discussion followed as to subjects and hours. A Gardenparty at the Botanical Gardens is planned for the third day, and the Business Meeting for the first afternoon.

It was agreed that the subject of "Psycho-Analysis" should be left out altogether.

Viscount Grey had been asked to speak on Nature Lore but had been obliged to refuse.

ANNUAL REPORT. The Committee asked Miss Macdonald if she would write up the Annual Report. Miss Macdonald agreed to do so.

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INCORPORATION. Dr. Costley White reported that the Sub-Committee appointed at the last Meeting, had gone carefully through the Charter, and it was now very nearly completed. Unfortunately, owing to the illness of Mr. Frost, it must be left again for a few weeks.

The liability clause for members had been changed from £1. to 5/-

The Incorporation necessitated a new form of Constitution for the Annual Report, which Colonel Carnegie undertook to draw up from the Charter with Dr. Costley White's assistance.

BRANCH REPORTS. A letter was read from the Secretary of the Glasgow Branch, expressing a wish of the Glasgow Members to continue as before. This was agreed to by the Committee.

A Report of the Lectures of the London Branch was given.

Lady Campbell reported a Meeting of the Surbiton Branch, where a most successful lecture was given by Dr. Costley White on "the Ring and the Book".

A Letter was read from the West Herts Branch, giving an account of their Meeting and a Lecture. At the Meeting it had been resolved to carry on their Branch.

OFFICE NEWS. It was reported that Miss Pennothorne was ill and away for some weeks.

Since the last Executive Meeting on Jan. 26th. there were 70 new members of the P.N.U. including 50 P.U.s. seventeen discontinued, and there had been 99 callers.

The secretary reported that the office girls had been with them six months, and were now getting a rise of wages, according to the agreement when they came.

SUCH OTHER BUSINESS AS MAY ARISE. The Committee considered the question of the Agenda for the Business Meeting on the first day of the Conference, and it was resolved that the Agenda must be sent out in May.

DATE OF NEXT MEETING. The date of the next Executive Committee Meeting was fixed for Tuesday, April 26th. at 2.45 pm.

H. Costley White
April 26. 21.

THOMAS,
"BELLIE LINDSEY"
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55, NEW BROAD STREET,

LONDON, E.C. April 24th, 1921.

The Chairman,
The General Committee,
Parents' National Educational Union,
25, Victoria Street, SW. 1.

Sir : -

Having completed our examination of the accounts of the Parents' National Educational Union for the year ending 28th. February 1921, we now enclose for your consideration a draft of the Revenue Account and Balance Sheet drawn as at that date.

The operations for the year have resulted in a surplus of £345. 1. 11. as compared with a surplus of £26. 14. 4. for the previous year and a surplus of £227. 4. 11. for the fourteen months ending 28th. February 1919.

We set out below our usual statement showing the variations in the receipts in detail.

	1919/20.	1920/21.	Increase.	Decrease
Capitation Fees.	22.14. 0.	22. 8. 1.		10.11
Houses of Education Fees	22.16. 8.	32.12. 6.	9.16. 0.	
Affiliation Fees.	2. 2. 0.			2. 2. 0
Donations.	132.17. 6.	191.10. 7.	51.13. 1.	
Books.	332.16. 8.	1135. 8. 0.	802. 9. 7.	
Parents Review	119.16. 1.	169. 1. 6½	78. 6. 5½	
Fees Commission.	34. 0. 9.	88. 3. 3.	22. 4. 6.	
Lecture Fees.	3. 3. 0.	3. 3. 0.		
Deposit Account & War Loan Interest.	20. 2. 4.	24. 6. 0.	3.16. 8.	
Members Subscriptions.	335. 8. 4½	401. 8. 4½	66. 0. 0.	
	<u>1323. 8.11½</u>	<u>2063. 1. 4.</u>	<u>739. 8. 3½</u>	<u>2. 12.11.</u>
		<u>1323. 8.11½</u>	<u>2.12.11.</u>	
Net Increase.		<u>739.12. 4½</u>	<u>739.12. 4½</u>	

It will be seen that most of the items show an increase, the most notable being from the Book Trade which shows a profit of £1135.8.0. as compared with a profit of £22.16.8. for the previous year.

The sales have increased from £3,722 for 1919/20 to £3,069 for 1920/21 and the rate per cent of the profit on the sales has increased from 14½ to 23½. For the fourteen months to 28th. February 1919 the

comparative rate was 16%.

As we have explained on previous occasions, the information necessary to enable us to express an opinion as to the reason for these changes in the rate of profit is not available.

The "Parents Review" shows a profit of £192.1.6. as compared with £112.16.1. in the previous year, an increase of £78.5.5., the selling price of the Review having been raised.

The following statement compares the expenses for the twelve months to 28th. February 1921 with those for the twelve months to 28th. February 1920.

	1919/20.	1920/21.	Increase.	Decrease
Rent, Rates & Coal) Salaries etc. }	845 17 4	869 12 11½	50 1 7½	
Printing & Stationery	236 1 11	290 6 1	54 4 2	
Postage & Parcels	24 2 7	103 2 6½	19 0 2½	
Office Furniture & Fittings & General Expenses.	16 17 10½	170 9 1	151 11 2½	
Subscriptions paid out	6 10 0	5 5 0		1 1 0
Travelling Expenses	21 15 10	37 12 10		14 1 0
Meetings.	22 11 1	33 0 8	10 9 7	
	1223 14 7½	1234 19 2	271 6 5½	18 2 0
		1263 14 7½	13 2 0	
Net Increase		276 4 5½	276 4 5½	

The Rent, Rates, Coal & Salaries etc. show an increase of £26 but this is after crediting an exceptional receipt of £55.2.0. for refund of Income Tax, the principal item of increase being in salaries which have risen from £637 to £761, an increase of £124.

The Office Furniture and Fittings and General Expenses have increased from £16.17.10. to £170.9.1., the difference of £154 being accounted for principally by the following items:-

Decorating	232.
Typewriter	24.
Addressograph	78.
Legal Expenses	15.

We shall be happy to afford you any further information in our power which you may require.

We are,

Yours faithfully,

James Buchanan & Co.

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THE PARENTS' NATIONAL EDUCATIONAL UNION.

BALANCE SHEET

&

REVENUE ACCOUNT

28th. FEBRUARY 1921.

Beavis, Walker & Co.,
Chartered Accountants,
83, New Broad Street,
London, E.C.

THE PARENTS' NATIONAL EDUCATIONAL UNION.

BALANCE SHEET.

28th. FEBRUARY 1921.

To <u>Money Creditors</u>				362	18	10
" <u>Money Reserves</u>				28	2	6
" <u>General Revenue Account</u>						
Balance at 1st. March 1920.	1,031	8	10			
Add Excess of Income over Expenditure for the Year.	348	1	11	2,060	8	2
				2,491	10	1

EXPENDITURE ACCOUNT.

	1919/20			1920/21		
To Rent, Lighting, Heating & Salaries	843	17	4	899	18	11½
" Printing & Stationery	236	1	11	260	8	1
" Postages & Parcels	84	2	7	103	2	5½
" Office Expenses & Furniture	18	17	10½	170	9	1
" Subscriptions paid out	6	10	0	5	9	0
" Meetings	22	11	1	33	0	6
" Travelling Expenses	51	13	10	37	12	10
" Balance, being excess of income over Expenditure for the year transferred to General Revenue Account.	59	14	4	348	1	11
	1,323	8	11½	2,085	1	4

By <u>Money Debtors</u>						
" <u>House of Education</u>				148	8	0
Face Outstanding				78	0	0
" <u>Book Trade Account</u>						
Stock Debtors as per list.	371	1	3	320	2	0
" <u>Investments</u>	349	8	4			
£250 3% War Loan 1929/47 at cost				237	10	0
" <u>Cash</u>						
At Bank on Current Account	213	12	3			
" " " Deposit Account	200	0	0			
In Hand	23	10	2	1,087	3	1
				2,491	10	1

FOR THE YEAR ENDING 28th. February 1921.

	1919/20.			1920/21.		
By <u>Members Subscriptions</u>	335	8	4½	401	8	4½
" <u>Donations</u>	152	17	6	121	10	7
" <u>Capitation Fees</u>	22	19	0	22	8	1
" <u>House of Education Students' Fees</u>	42	16	6	32	12	6
" <u>Books</u>	582	13	5	1,133	2	0
" <u>Parents Review</u>	119	16	1	128	1	6½
" <u>Parents Union School Fees Commission</u>	34	0	9	36	5	3
" <u>Lecture Fees</u>	3	3	0	3	3	0
" <u>Interest</u>	20	9	4	24	6	0
" <u>Affiliation Fees</u>	2	2	0			
	1,323	8	11½	2,085	1	4

MINUTES OF THE EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE MEETING AT 26 VICTORIA STREET, E.C.
ON APRIL 26th. at 5.30 pm.

PRESENT. Dr. Costley White in the Chair. The Lady Helen Cassel,
The Hon. Mrs. Franklin, Miss Macdonald,
Mrs. Howard Glover, Mrs. Cole,
Mrs. John Buchan, The Hon. Mrs. D'Arcy Hart,
The Lady Celia Coates, Mrs. E. Campbell,
Mrs. Pell. Mrs. Newth,

APOLOGIES. were received from the Hon. Treasurer, Colonel the Hon.
Douglas Carnegie, Mrs. Bishop Harman, Mrs. Baker, Mrs. Ekin &
Mrs. Clement Parsons, who were unable to attend.

MINUTES. The Minutes of the last meeting were confirmed and signed by
the Chairman.

ARISING OUT OF THE MINUTES. The plan of having a garden-party during
the week of the Conference had been given up unavoidably.

FINANCE. The Auditor's Report with letter to Chairman, Balance Sheet
and Revenue Account were presented by Miss Jotcham, in the
absence of the Hon. Treasurer. Approval was expressed by the
Committee at the successful record of the year's work, es-
pecially the book-trade, which showed a good balance.
The Report was read, and approved by the Committee.

At the suggestion of Mrs. Franklin, it was unanimously
agreed that a bonus of £25 should be granted to Miss Jotcham,
and one of £10 to Miss Morton on the result of the year's
work.

CORRESPONDENCE. A letter thanking Miss Pennethorne for her successful
lecture at Northampton was read to the Committee.

A letter asking for Delegates for the National Assoc.
for the Prevention of Infant Mortality & National Baby Council
was brought forward, but none of the Members of the Committee
were able to undertake it, owing to press of engagements.

Letters re. the Imperial Congress of Education to take
place in Ontario, August, 1901 were read, and it was explai-
ned that Miss Moffatt, Ex-Student, will be in Canada at that
time, and willing to represent the P.N.E.U. if it could be
arranged.

TO CO-OPT MR. SEEBOM AS A MEMBER OF THE EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE.

Mr. Seebom was proposed as Member of the Council by Mrs. Franklin and seconded by Mrs. Buchan. He was afterwards co-opted on to the Executive Committee, as proposed by Mrs. Glover and seconded by Mrs. Evan Campbell.

It was agreed that the retiring Member, Mrs. Clement Parsons should be asked to become a Vice-President.

Propaganda Report. The Propaganda Committee had recommended to the Executive that the pamphlet "Children as Persons" should be reprinted in pamphlet form, as soon as possible, this was agreed. Mrs. Buchan had asked that a Children's library should be added to the Office Library and that a grant of money should be given for books.

It was approved by the Executive that Mrs. Buchan and Miss Pennethorne should go into the question of books, so as to arrange a children's library, and to have a grant of £10 towards new books and children's books. The question of an extra 2/6d. subscription was discussed with reference to the children's library, but it was urged by Miss Pennethorne that an extra book at 2d. was better than an additional subscription. Finally an extra 2d. a book for a month was agreed.

INCORPORATION. Dr. Costley White reported that the deed was now in type in the printer's hands in preparation for the Board of Trade. The deed of Incorporation had been carefully criticized by several responsible people. It had been sent to Miss Mason for signature, whose solicitor had also seen it, and Dr. Costley White had received it back that morning with the suggestion of an additional clause.

This clause, which was read to the Committee, was now to be submitted to the Union's solicitor.

By this clause, if we think right we can take the P.U.S. and matters connected with it under our aegis.

ANNUAL REPORT. The Committee expressed their gratitude to Miss Macdonald for writing up the Annual Report, and instructed the General Secretary to write to Miss Macdonald to express their thanks.

BRANCH REPORTS. A short account of the Branches was given. The Hon. Sec. had spoken at Maidenhead to the new area, also at Ballymena which had been formed into another new Area with Mrs. Wilson, Dallygarvey, Ballymena, as Hon. Sec. Twelve new members had joined. The Hon. Sec. had also spoken at Dublin, and at Brixton to the parents of the Elementary School children, who had become Associates.

The Org. Sec. Miss Pennethorne reported her Meetings in April and her future engagements in May and June, which include Leatherhead, Burgess Hill, St. Albans, Horsham, London Branch, Hindkley.

The East Cheshire Branch had closed for the present, but Miss Pennethorne hopes to visit the district and perhaps start again as an area.

OFFICE NEWS. Since the last Committee Meeting on February 25rd. the secretary reported that there had been 139 callers at the office, 120 new members, of which there were 30 P.U.S. three more secondary schools, and three more elementary schools, as well as a good number of new elementary teachers joining the Union as individual members.

Ninety-seven members of the Union had discontinued.

DATE of Next Meeting. The date of the next Meeting is fixed for Wednesday, June 15th. at 3 pm.

Franklin

15. 6. 1921

Council Meeting at Mortimer Hall, 93 Mortimer Street, W. on Tuesday, June 21st at 2.30 pm.

I Present.

Dr. Costley White in the Chair.

The Marchioness of Aberdeen & Temair, President

The Hon. Mrs Franklin

Mrs Howard Glover.

Mrs Clement Parsons.

Mrs Lyffe.

The Hon. Mrs D'Arcy Hart.

Mrs Bishop Harman

The Lady Helen Cassel.

Dr. Helen Webb.

II Minutes of last Council Meeting, read & approved.

III To approve Incorporation. The Chairman explained the reasons for Incorporating the Union, the benefits arising from it, & asked the Council to sanction it.

Proposed.

Lady Aberdeen

Seconded.

The Hon. Mrs Franklin

IV The Balance ^{Sheet} of 1920 was read by the Chairman & approved.

V Re-election of Presidents:—

The Marquis & Marchioness of Aberdeen & Temair

Proposed. Mrs Franklin

Seconded. The Lady Helen Cassel.

Carried unanimously.

VI Re-Election of ~~Council~~ Vice-Presidents.

Mrs Clement Parsons, Mrs Whitaker Thompson & Mr. Perrin.

Proposed.

Mrs Franklin

Seconded.

The Lady Helen Cassel.

VII Election of Council. The members of the Council who came up for re-election were re-elected unanimously

Proposed. Mrs Howard Glover.

Seconded. Mrs Lyffe.

VIII Election of Hon. Officers. Hon. Treasurer & Hon. Sec. for re-election

Proposed. The Chairman

Seconded. Mrs Lyffe.

Carried unanimously.

IX Election of Executive Committee

The members of the Ex. Committee were read out for re-election, & re-elected unanimously.

Proposed. Mrs Clement Parsons.

Seconded. Mrs King.

X Auditors re-appointed.

Messrs Beaver, Walker & Co.

Proposed. The Chairman

Seconded. Mrs Franklin

carried unanimously

XI The Annual Report was read by the Hon. Sec & approved by the Council

Proposed - The Chairman

Seconded. - Mrs Clement Parsons.

MINUTES OF THE EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE MEETING, 26 VICTORIA STREET, S.W.
HELD ON WEDNESDAY, JUNE 15th. at 3 pm.

PRESENT. The Hon. Mrs. Franklin, who took the Chair, in the absence of the Chairman, Dr. Costley White.

Mrs. Howard Glover,
Mrs. Bishop Herman,
Miss Macdonald.

Mrs. Eyfe,
The Hon. Mrs. D'Arcy Hart.
Mr. Seebohm,

APOLOGIES for absence were received from Dr. Costley White, Mrs. Cole, and Lady Helen Cassel.

MINUTES. The Minutes of the last Meeting were read and confirmed.

ARISING OUT OF MINUTES. The Secretary reported that the Congress of Teachers at Ontario in connection with the League of Empire had refused a P.N.E.U. representative, saying they were merely an association of teachers.

FINANCE. In the absence of the Hon. Treasurer, the monthly financial statement was read by Miss Jotcham, as follows:-

Cr.			
*Balance at Bank	987.18.11	Burt & Ryman.	29.18.6.
Cash in Hand.	22.10.	Wadsworth. May, June P.	R167. 8.
		Hazell, House Agent.	20. .
		Book A/cs. Approx.	350. .
		Salaries less Ins.	56. .
		Rent. Approx.	75. .
		Hire of Mortimer Hall	20. .
		etc.	

Balance to Credit. 291.17. 5.

£1010. 8.11.

£1010. 8.11.

*Add
War Loan, 237.10. .
Deposit. 350. . .

The Secretary reported that the extra rooms to let at the office were now let for the remainder of the lease at a higher rent than paid by the former tenants. The house agent's fee above was for the finding of the tenants.

CORRESPONDENCE. A letter was brought forward referring to an International Congress on Education at Calais in August, the Committee agreed that Miss Pennethorne might go to represent the P.N.E.U., subject to Miss Mason's approval and if she was allowed to speak on the P.N.E.U. Miss Morton was instructed to write to Miss Mason and ask her.

(2) A letter was read from the World Association for Adult Education, asking if the P.N.E.U. would continue their subscription of £2.2.

The Committee agreed to it, but wished it to be suggested that they should help to make the Union known and that they should be asked to give Miss Pennethorne an opportunity of speaking.

Proposed. Miss Macdonald,
Seconded. Mrs. D'Arcy Hart.

(5) Mrs. Franklin read Lady Baden Powell's correspondence with Miss Mason and herself as to the Girl Guides. The Committee was asked to approve of the Union becoming an affiliated society to the Girl Guides.

It was decided that the question should be brought up again at another Committee Meeting, and meantime, Miss Morton was asked to write for a book of rules and the names of other affiliated societies.

Proposed. Mrs. Howard Glover,
Seconded. Mrs. Franklin.

(4) Letters approving of Miss Pennethorne's lectures at East Ham and St. Albans were read by the Hon. Sec.

CONFERENCE. It was reported that about £12 worth of tickets had been sold and various suggestions were made as to circularising the Conference up to the last moment.

INCORPORATION. The draft was still in the hands of the Board of Trade, so that there was nothing further to report.

CONSIDERATION OF CONFERENCE OF EDUCATIONAL ASSOCIATIONS.

The Committee were asked to consider and to make suggestions as to the best day, etc. for the P.N.E.U. to take part in the Educational Associations' Conference. Mrs. Franklin suggested that something more of the aims and methods of the Union must appear in the speeches so as to be printed in the Report afterwards.

It was agreed that the matter should be brought up again at the next *Committee* Meeting.

BRANCH REPORTS. A report was read from Australia of a most interesting meeting and lecture, where there were over 200 present.

At Brixton, The Associates among the parents of children at Miss Dell's school, had had a Meeting in June, where Mrs. Franklin had taken the Chair, and Dr. Alice Hutchison had given a lecture on Health.

Afterwards in connection with the remarks from the Chairman, as to its being a common meeting ground for parents and teachers, Miss Dell had made some suggestions as to the children in her school going to bed earlier. There were about 75 present.

The account of Miss Pennethorne's Meetings since the last Committee Meeting were then read, she had visited Leatherhead, St. Albans, Burgess Hill, Mrs. Hook, Franciscan Road School, Horsham, and she was at this time in Yorkshire lecturing there, Miss Pennethorne had also spoken to the London Branch on "Truth and Fear".

OFFICE NEWS. Since April 26th., the last Committee Meeting, there had been 80 new members, 136 callers, and 69 discontinued. There had been several new school enquiries both from elementary and secondary schools, and as partly a result of Miss Pennethorne's visit, Mrs. Plowright, Thames Ditton was putting her Infants' School into the P.N.E.U.

NEXT MEETING. Date of Next Meeting. It was agreed that there would be no Executive meeting till the autumn, and that the date should be decided nearer the time. *11/11/22*

MINUTES OF THE EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE MEETING, 26 VICTORIA STREET, S.W.
HELD ON WEDNESDAY, OCTOBER 5th, 1921.

PRESENT. The Rev. H. Costley White in the Chair.

The Hon. Mrs. Franklin, Mrs. Evan Campbell,
Mrs. Howard Glover, Mrs. McHair.
The Hon. Mrs. d'Arcy Hart, The Lady Helen Cassel.
Mrs. Cole.

MINUTES. The minutes were confirmed and signed by the Chairman.

ARISING OUT OF MINUTES.

(1) With reference to the new agreement of Mr. Boys & Read, Mr. Costley White laid before the Committee "that the agreement of Mr. Boys which was signed on behalf of the Union by the Chairman on May 31st. be formally adopted and confirmed by the Executive Committee.

Proposed. The Hon. Mrs. Franklin,
Seconded. Mrs. Howard Glover.

(b) Miss Pennethorne was asked to report her Meetings and give an account of the International Congress at Calais. The Committee expressed their satisfaction.

(c) The Girl Guides. Mrs. Franklin read the correspondence between Lady Baden Powell, Miss Mason and herself with regard to the affiliation of the P.U.S.U. and the Girl Guides. Mrs. Franklin expressed herself as in sympathy with the movement, and as having been elected a member of their Council in her individual capacity.

Lady Helen Cassel reminded the Committee that the P.U.S. was for boys and girls alike, and that she considered that all scouting should be individual and voluntary, and that if it once became part of the P.U.S.U. teaching it was no longer voluntary.

Mrs. Howard Glover asked that they might hear Miss Mason's opinion, and Mrs. Franklin read part of Miss Mason's letter, showing that the student might take it up for their children, if they wished.

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Miss Pennethorne thought that it was doing the P.U.S. harm not to be affiliated with the Girl Guides.

The Chairman expressed his view that he did not consider it an advantage to the Union to affiliate with the Girl Guides or similar Societies, as the scope of the Parents' Educational Union was a larger one, and he also agreed with Lady Helen Cassel on the points mentioned by her. The word affiliation had the meaning of father to son, parent to child, and the Union could not stand in that capacity to the Girl Guides.

It was agreed that the discussion should be postponed for a future occasion, and that in the meantime Mrs. Franklin would express our close sympathy with the movement, which is shown by Mrs. Franklin being a member of their Council.

The Chairman therefore moved "that in view of the fact that Mrs. Franklin is now a member of the Council of Girl Guides, the Committee agree that the discussion of affiliation be postponed to another time."

Agreed.

APOLOGIES. Apologies were read from Mr. Saeborn, Lady Campbell, Mrs. Poll, Dr. Helen Webb, Mrs. Bishop Harman, and Miss Macdonald for absence at the Meeting.

A VOTE OF SYMPATHY was passed on the death of Mrs. Steindhal, and it was agreed that a letter expressing the Committee's sympathy should be signed by the Chairman.

FINANCE. The financial statement was read by Miss Jetcham, in the absence of the Hon. Treasurer.

Cr.		Dr.	
	s. d.		s. d.
Balance at Bank.	1506. 11.	Westminster Trust. Rent.	77. 11.
Cash in Hand.	25. . .	Genl. O. Tel. a/c.	4. 14. 7.
		Wadsworth. Sent. P.F.	87. 15. 3.
		Sent. Book a/c. Approx.	800. . .
		Oct. Salaries, Less Inc.	56. 5. 8.
		Credit Balance.	304. 10. 0.
			61551. 11.
	61551. 11.		
*Add Deposit.	350. . .		
War Loan.	237. 10. .		
	587. 10. .		

CORRESPONDENCE.

The Pioneer Club. The suggestion that the P.N.E.U. should affiliate with the Pioneer Club was brought forward, and the correspondence read. The Pioneer Club had agreed to a suggestion that Mrs. Howard Glover, already a member of the Club, should act as representative of the Union, but it was agreed that the Union could not affiliate with them.

Mrs. Howard Glover undertook to find out whether if she acted as representative of the P.N.E.U. in the Pioneer Club, she would be allowed one P.N.E.U. meeting as suggested in their letter, but with no thought of affiliation or subscription from the P.N.E.U.

A letter of thanks from the Child Welfare Association was laid before the Committee for the help given at the bookstall in the July exhibition.

The English Speaking Union. It was agreed by the Committee that the P.N.E.U. might send representatives to the meetings of the English Speaking Union with a view to encouraging education and of affording opportunities of bringing members of that Society into touch with P.N.E.U. ideals and education. A complimentary Parents' Review should be sent for their reading-room.

National Society for Promoting the education of the poor in the Principles of the Established Church.

In response to a request from this Society for the P.N.E.U. to send representatives to an Inter-denominational Conference on Biblical Teaching, to be held on November 29th. and Wednesday, Nov. 30th., Lady Helen Cassel agreed to be a representative, Miss Pennethorne was appointed and Mr. Seeborn was to be asked to represent the Union.

London Branch National Council for Combating Venereal Diseases. The Society wrote asking if Mrs. Howard Glover would continue as representative of the Union. As Mrs. Howard Glover could no longer act as representative, some discussion took place as to whether it was necessary for the P.N.E.U. to send representatives. The Chairman urged the importance of the P.N.E.U. as an educational body, sending representatives on such an important question.

The Committee agreed that Mrs. Bishop Harman should be asked to act as representative of the P.N.E.U.

CORRESPONDENCE (continued)

In response to a letter from the secretary of M.L.D. Associates the Committee agreed to the subscription among Elementary School parents, as Association of the P.N.E.U. paying a subscription of 1/- instead of 2/6d. when their numbers were over fifty.

A letter from Mrs. Cooper Marsden was read expressing her wish to retire from the Executive Committee, owing to ill-health.

Mrs. Franklin suggested that Mrs. Corbett Ashby should be asked to become a member.

No other suggestion was made, the Chairman thanked Mrs. Franklin and asked the Committee, if they agreed.

Mrs. Corbett Ashby was therefore elected, if willing to serve.

JUNE CONFERENCE REPORT.

The Gen. Sec. read the financial statement of the Conference, with which the Committee expressed their satisfaction. A full account of the Conference appeared in the September Parents' Review.

Dr.		Cr.	
Sale of Tickets.	50.12. .	Printing.	13.10. .
Profit on Sale		Postages.	10.10. .
of Books etc.	5. 1. .	Hire of Hall	14.14. .
Sale of Tea		Speakers' Fees	
Tickets.	5.18. .	& Expenses	7.17. .
		Petty Cash Exp.	5. . .
		Tea a/c	5.10. .
		In hand.	1. 1. 8.
	<u>£61.11. .</u>		<u>£61.11. .</u>

The Gen. Secretary was asked to report as much as possible of the attendance at the meeting, numbers, etc. Mrs. Franklin called the attention of the Committee to the fact that Mr. Household's address, under a slightly different form was appearing in the Hibbert Journal.

INCORPORATION.

The Incorporation of the Parents' National Educational Union was reported as completed.

A resolution of thanks to Mr. Frost and the firm of Messrs. Langer, Burton & Frost for their work in connection with the Incorporation *was passed*

A letter to this effect to be written and signed by the Chairman.

Proposed. The Hon. Mrs. Franklin.
Seconded. The Lady Helen Cassel.

CONFERENCE OF EDUCATIONAL ASSOCIATIONS.

Mrs. Franklin reported that Mr. Preston, Malvern College was coming to speak, and Miss Pennethorne would also speak. The subject chosen was "The teaching of History."

Mrs. Franklin asked the Chairman if he could speak too, but he was afraid he would be abroad on that date.

The question of a stall, showing the P.U.S. work, and for the sale of pamphlets, etc. was discussed.

The Gen. Sec. mentioned the question which had arisen over the sale of books and the income tax, and said the office were anxious to find out how the matter stood as to the sale of pamphlets.

It was agreed to have a stall at the Conference.

Branch Reports.

As a result of Miss Pennethorne's Meeting, a new Sheffield Area had been formed with a fair number of members. Mrs. Grant had kindly consented to act as Hon. Sec. also a Wirral Area, with Miss E.C. Allan, as Hon. Sec.

It was reported from the new Jerusalem Branch that 14 new members take the Review and 20 others had joined for meetings. The Hon. Sec. was Mrs. Drew.

A new Area, Strathbane, with Mrs. Cochran as Hon. Sec. had also been formed, in the hope of developing a Branch in that neighbourhood.

Surbiton Branch reported a change of Secretary, *Mrs. Johnson* having resigned, and Mrs. Woodgate become Hon. Sec.

Birmingham Branch. Mrs. Elkins, who had been Hon. Sec. for many years had resigned and Mrs. John Crosskey become Hon. Sec.

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BRANCH REPORTS. (continued)

East Herts Branch had been given up for the present.

A list of the future lectures arranged by the Branches would appear as usual each month in the Parents' Review.

Miss Pennethorne reported the Branch Meetings at which she had *spoken*.

OFFICE NEWS.

The General Secretary reported that book-trade had been very busy indeed, also that there were 223 new members, 322 callers and 140 discontinued since June 15th. Also seven new private schools were working the P.U.S. Programme, and another three elementary schools. *Besides* this there had been a great many inquiries for elementary schools.

SUCH OTHER BUSINESS AS MAY ARISE.

The General Secretary showed the Annual Report which had just been sent back from the printer. The Committee agreed that it would be better to have the President, and Executive Committee printed on the inside of the cover.

DATE OF NEXT MEETING. Wednesday, Nov. 16th. at 2.45 pm.

*11 letters while
Nov. 16. 1921*

Parents' National Educational Union
Founded 1888, Incorporated 1921

General Meeting

In accordance with the Articles of Association of the Parents' National Educational Union (Incorporated) notice is hereby given that an Ordinary General Meeting of the Union will be held at the Offices of the Union, 26 Victoria Street, S.W.1, on FRIDAY, November 11th, 1921, at 2-30 p.m.

AGENDA

Election of the Council.

Nov. 11th, 1921
 2.30 pm.

Present. The Rev. H. Costly White in the Chair
 Mrs Lewis, (Loughton Br. Rep.) Mrs Pringle
 Mrs Whitaker Thompson, The Hon. Mrs Franklin
 Lady Campbell
 Lady Helen Cassel

Election of Presidents & Vice Presidents. The Election of the Presidents & Vice-Presidents proposed by Mrs. Franklin seconded by Mrs Whitaker Thompson
 Carried unanimously

Election of Council. The election of the Council with the addition of Miss Gardner in place of Mrs Hugh Spottiswoode, Miss Rose Adams The Rev. J. P. Taunthorpe, Mrs Cooper Marsden, Mrs Holton
 Proposed. The Hon. Mrs. Franklin
 Seconded. Lady Helen Cassel. Carried unanimously

Election of Hon. Officers. The re-election of Hon. Officers was proposed by Lady Campbell, seconded by Lady Helen Cassel & carried unanimously.

Election

Walter White
 May 26. 1922

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PRESIDENTS.

The Most Hon. Marquess & Marchioness of ABERDEEN & TEMAIR.

VICE-PRESIDENTS.

His Grace the ARCHBISHOP of CANTERBURY.

The Right Hon. The Countess of ELGIN.

The Right Hon. The Earl of LYTTON.

The Right Hon. Viscount BRYON OF DECHMONT, O.M., D.C.L.

The Right Rev. The Lord Bishop of DURHAM.

The Rev. The Hon. E. Lyttleton.

Ellie, Lady COOTE.

Sir Frederick Hogg, K.C.I.E. and Lady HOGG,

Sir J. Crichton Browne, M.D., F.R.S.

Mrs. Clement Parsons,

Henry Perrin, Esq.

F. Willingham Rawnsley, Esq., M.A., J.P.

Francis Steinthal, Esq.

Mrs. Whitaker Thompson,

Mrs. Wilberforce.

HON. OFFICERS.

Hon. Treasurer: Colonel the Hon. Douglas Carnegie,

Hon. Secretary: The Hon. Mrs. Franklin.

Retire in 1923.

Mrs. John Buchan,
Mrs. Montagu Butler,
Mrs. George Cadbury,
The Hon. Mrs. Douglas Carnegie,
Lady Fitzroy,
Mrs. Fyfe,
The Rev. A. H. Gilkes, M.A.
Mrs. Howard Glover,
Mrs. Hallam Murray,
Mrs. Perrin,
J. Surtees Philpotts, Esq.
Mrs. Guy Pym,
Mrs. Sharlieb, M.D.
Mrs. Yeatman,
The Rev. H. Webb-Peploe,

Retire in 1923.

The Right Hon. The Earl of Beauchamp, K.G., K.C.M.G.
Colonel John Buchan,
The Hon. Frank Trevor, Bigham,
Lady Campbell,
Mrs. Evan Campbell,
The Lady Helen Cassel,
The Lady Celia Coates,
Mrs. Spedding Curwen,
Mrs. Spencer Curwen,
Mrs. Bishop Harman,
Guy Kendall, Esq.
Miss Louisa Macdonald, M.A.
Mrs. Pell,
Miss Helen Webb, M.B.
The Rev. H. Costley-White, M.A.

Retire in 1924.

Mrs. Ashby-Corbett,
Mrs. Bage,
Oscar Browning, Esq.
The Ven. Archdeacon Daniell,
Mrs. Daniell,
Ernest L. Franklin, Esq. & the Hon. Mrs. Franklin
Mrs. Arnold Forster,
The Rev. R. Horton,
Miss Gardner,
H. W. Household, Esq.
Miss Lambert,
*Miss Parish,
Mrs. Peploe,

Ex-Officio. Mr. Hugh Seebohm,

Branch Representatives.

Mrs. Baker,	Wanstead.	Mrs. Richardson,	Edinburgh.
Mrs. Bowen-Colthurst,	Dublin.	Miss Rhys,	Liverpool.
Mrs. John Crosskey,	Birmingham,	Mrs. Vaughan Smith,	Northwood,
Mrs. Gibson,	Galashiels,	Miss Ward,	Shrewsbury.
Mrs. Jardine,	Glasgow,	Mrs. Woodgate,	Surbiton.
Miss Lawe,	Torquay,		
Mrs. F. Lewis,	Loughton, Woodford & Buckhurst Hill.		
Mrs. Powell,	Worcester.		
Miss Underhill,	St. Albans,		

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Minutes of the Executive Committee Meeting
held at 26 Victoria Street, SW on Wednesday,
November 16th, 1921 at 2.45 pm.

Present.

The Rev. H. Costley White in the Chair.
Mrs Pell, The Hon. Mrs D'Arcy Hart
Mrs Whitaker Thompson, Mrs Bishop Harman.
Mrs Howard Glover. The Hon. Mrs Franklin
Lady Celia Coates Dr. Helen Webb.
Mrs Cole Mrs Hewth.
Lady Campbell.
The Lady Helen Cassel.

Minutes

The Minutes were confirmed and signed by
the Chairman.

Leaving out of the Minutes: (1) Mrs Howard Glover reported
that the Pioneer Club were willing to allow
the P. N. E. V. a meeting without affiliation.

(2) Mrs Franklin read Lady Baden-Powell's
letter in answer to hers giving the decision
of the last Executive Committee Meeting
expressing her regrets

(3) The General Secretary reported that the
sale of pamphlets would not be counted
for income tax this year.

(4) Mrs Bishop Harman had kindly consented
to act as representative of the P. N. E. V. on the
London Branch of the National Society for
Combating Venereal Diseases.

(5) The June 1921 Conference Report, as read at
the Propaganda Committee Meeting on Nov. 9th
was as follows: -

"During the three days' Conference, a hundred
"tickets were sold beforehand, 62 students
"accepted & received complimentary tickets
"29 Branch Secretaries complimentary tickets
"were given to Branch Secretaries, and press.
"At the door, about 252 shilling tickets were
"sold & 84 five shilling ones. The general
"average attendance at the meetings was 756.89.
"The largest attendances were at Mr de laune's
"2 Six Hugh Allen's lectures

	Present.
"The legacy of History" by the Headmaster of Eton	83
"The Dangers of Knowledge" Mr de Burgh	70
"Knowledge of God as a healing Power of the Body"	90.
"Ourselves" by the Rev. J. Harold Anson	90
"Knowledge the Pathway of the Dawn" Mr Monmouth	70
"The Hope of the World" The Marchioness of Aberdeen	80
"Joy in Service" The Hon. Lily Montagu. J.P.	80

(Several Schools & young people present)

"Imagination". Mr. Walter de la Mare. Present 150
 "Reading & Choice of Books". Miss Macdonald. 160
 "Home Influence in Music". Sir Hugh Allen. 160
 (Very popular lecture)

"Knowledge, the measure of Values". Dan Inge. 120
 The literature Stall was looked after by Students, who helped throughout the Conference. A fair number of Nature Note Books and Books of Centuries were exhibited.

(6) The Chairman read a letter of thanks to the Committee for their sympathy from Mr. Steinthal. & Mrs Franklin read hers too

Apologies

Apologies for non-attendance at the meeting were received from Mrs. Corbett Ashby, Mrs Dickie (Middlesbrough) Mrs John Crosskey (Birmingham) Mr. Seeborn & Mrs Wan Campbell.

Dr.

Finance

*Balance at Bank.	1376.	17	9	Pyman Address			
Cash in Hand	13.			Anderson & Globe Winkler			
				Printing & Stationery	12.	6	8
				Wadsworth	81	5	8
				Book A/c for Payment	341		2
				Nov. Salaries less Insurance	56.	14	2
				Balance in Hand	898	11	2
					1389	17	9
*Deposit a/c.	350						
War Loan.	237	10					
	587	10					

The Committee expressed their satisfaction at the Rev. financial statement, which was read by Miss Jetcham, in the absence of the Hon. Treasurer.

Salaries. The staff were asked to leave the Committee Room, and Mrs Franklin afterwards communicated to the general secretary that her salary would now be £250 & that Miss Pennethorne's would be raised to £250 after she had been a year in the office.

Correspondence. (1) A letter was brought before the Committee from Mr. Read of the partnership of Messrs Boys & Read tenants of the PNEU, 26 Victoria Street, saying their partnership was dissolving in Dec. 1921 & asking for permission to (a) either sub-let studio (b) or P.N.E.U. sub-let studio (c) or find another partner.

It was agreed that Mr. Boys must write formally to the Committee as well as Mr. Read both being liable for the lease, & then a new partnership might be considered as tenants by the Committee, if suitable.
 Proposed. Miss Macdonald
 Seconded. Dr. Helen Webb

- (2) As Miss Mason had granted permission for the P.U.S. Scripture Programme to be printed on a separate sheet for the benefit of parents & teachers; the Committee were asked to decide on the price. 2/6d, post free 3/- was agreed.

Proposed. Mrs. Pell.

Seconded. Lady Celia Coates

- (3) Tesole Club Papers. The book being out of print, Miss Mason wondered if the office could have it reprinted, or if it could appear in the Parents' Review & then reprinted as a book. It was agreed that in view of the small sale & the long time it would take to appear in the Parents' Review, the book should not be reprinted, but that Mrs Franklin should write to Miss Mason & ask her to publish any selections in the Parents' Review she thought desirable.

- (4) Miss Pennethorne hopes to be at Knocken in September 1922, & if so, will attend the Conference at Brussels, arranged by Mr. de Vuyt.

- (5) Representatives for the Sectional Committees of the National Council for Women were chosen as follows:

Mrs Howard Glover.	Public Service
Miss Norton.	(1) Educational & Peace (2) League of Nations
Mrs. Pell	Parliamentary
Lady Campbell.	Public Health
Mrs Cedric Glover.	Rescue & Preventive

- (6) Brixton Parents' Association Resolution. A resolution protesting against the charge of 8/6 for the room for their meeting was read. The Lady Helen Cassel undertook to approach the L.C.C. officials unofficially.

- (7) Mrs Beeton, Chairman of the Women Workers' Library, asked the P.N.E.U. to send a representative to their Committee. Miss Macdonald was asked & agreed to act as representative.

Proposed. Mrs Franklin
Seconded. Miss Helen Webb.

- (8) The Committee's attention was drawn to the reports in the "Schoolmistress" etc of Mr. Household's speech & work in the P.N.E.U.

Propaganda Report.

The Propaganda Report was read by Mrs Howard Glover.

Arising from it was the discussion as to the date for the Annual Conference to be held at Ambleside. If possible the dates were to be fixed for May 29th to June 1st, or June 12th to 16th.

- Branch Reports. (a) Mrs Inghth reported fully of the Northwood Branch.
 (b) Middlebrough Branch had come to an end, no one being able to undertake the duties of secretary at present.
 (c) A letter from ^{the} Australian Branch was read, explaining that they wished to start a circulating library.

Office News. The Gen. Sec. reported 89 new members, 49 discontinued, & 137 callers since Oct. 4th.

Such other business as may arise. Miss Lambert had been appointed representative of the Ambleside Students' Association & was now elected to Council & Executive. Proposed. Mrs Franklin
 Seconded. Mrs Howard Glover.

Date of Next Meeting. The next Executive Committee Meeting to be Tuesday, December 13th at 2.45 pm.

J. Cotton/White
 Dec. 13. 1921.

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Meeting of the Executive Committee
at 26 Victoria Street, S.W. 1. at 2.45 pm.
on Tuesday, Dec. 13. 1921.

Present. The Rev. H. Costley White in the Chair.
The Hon. Mrs Franklin, The Hon. Mrs Dancy Hart
Lady Campbell Mrs Bishop Harman
Mrs Pell. Mrs Whitaker Thompson
Miss Underhill (St. Albans) Mrs Corbett Ashley.
Miss Lambert Ambleside Students.

Minutes. The Minutes were confirmed & signed by
the Chairman.

Arising out of Minutes. Miss Morton reported that no formal
letter had yet been received from Mr Boys
re. their lease & partnership.

Apologies Apologies for absence had been received
from Lady Helen Corbell, Mrs Cole, Mr. Sabotom
& Mr. Household.

Finance.

In the absence of the Hon. Treasurer, the
Financial Statement was read by Miss Jotchan
Cr. Dec 13. 1921

	£	s	d		£	s	d
* Balance on current a/c	1132	16	3	Rent, Coal, etc to Xmas.	75	-	-
Cash in Hand	15	-	-	Wadsworth, Nov. P.R.	79	-	-
				- - Dec. approx	80	-	-
				London Br. Lecture fee	1	1	-
				Due Mrs Franklin postage	6	5	-
				Printing & Stationery a/c.	10	5	3
				Book a/c. Approx.	225	14	3
				Dec. Salaries less Insurance	56	12	1
				Credit Balance.	613	18	8
	1147	16	3		1147	16	3
* Add Deposit a/c	450	-	-				
War Loan.	237	10	-				
	687	10	-				

It was agreed that another £100 might be
put into Deposit a/c.

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Arrangements for Annual Conference, 1922.

Mrs Franklin reported that Miss Mason would prefer May 29th for the Annual Conference at Ambleside in 1922, if convenient to the Chairman & Committee.

Suggestions were read, as to the meetings and plans for the Conference, and it was agreed that a Preliminary notice ^{of the date etc} should appear in the January Review, if possible.

Annual Meeting. It was agreed that the date should be fixed a little later, if possible, at the next Committee Meeting in February.

Correspondence. Several letters expressing appreciation of the P. U. S. were read to the Committee.

(1) A class to be opened in Australia

(2) Miss Wylie, going to Bombay, hopes to interest people there, and was taking P. U. S. programme & pamphlets.

Branch Reports. Miss Underhill, St. Albans, gave an account of her Branch and their lectures.

Mrs Franklin gave an account of the holiday arrangements & the last London Lecture.

Office news. The Chairman explained that now that the P. N. E. U. was an incorporated society, the new members' names had to be submitted to the Committee & to be accepted by them. It was agreed that in future their names should be put on a Board in the Committee Room & put forward for the Committee to accept.

The office reported 53 callers, 37 new members, & 28 discontinued.

Such other business as may arise. A vote of sympathy was passed to the Hon. Treasurer on the death of Lord Northesk.

Date of next Meeting, Tuesday, Feb. 14th, at 2.45 pm.

W. L. White
Feb 14 1922

PARENTS' NATIONAL EDUCATIONAL UNION
Minutes of Meeting of Executive Committee held at
23, Victoria Street, S.W. on Tuesday, 14th Feb. 1922.

Present: The Rev. H. Costley White in the Chair.
Mrs. Whitaker Thompson (Vice-President)
The Hon. Mrs. Franklin
Mrs. Corbett Ashby.
Mrs. Bishop Harman.
The Lady Helen Cassel.
Mrs. Pell.
The Lady Celia Coates.
Miss Macdonald
Mrs. Cole.
Mrs. Howard Glover.
Miss Lambert.

Minutes. The Minutes were confirmed and signed by
the Chairman.

Arising out of Minutes.

1. Miss Horton reported that a formal notice had been received from Mr. Boys as to his dissolving partnership with Mr. Read. His letter had been sent to Mr. Frost, whose opinion was that Mr. Boys was still responsible for the rent together with Mr. Read.
It was agreed that nothing more need be done in the matter.
2. Mr. Read had asked permission for an artist to work in his studio for some hours daily, and with the Chairman's consent and that of the Westminster Trust, his references being satisfactory, this had been granted.
3. An extra deposit of £100 had been made at the Bank, according to instructions on the financial statement at the last Committee Meeting.

Apologies. Apologies for absence were received from Mr. Seeborn, Hon. Mrs. D'Arcy Hart, Mr. Household, Miss Underhill, Mrs. McNair, Col. & Mrs. Buchan and Mrs. Baker.

Finance. Miss Horton reported that Miss Jotcham had been ill with influenza and away for 3 weeks, so that the financial statement was drawn out approximately.
In the absence of the Hon. Treasurer, it was read by Miss Horton.

* Balance on Current
a/c at Bank 1626 5 1
Cash in hand 20 3 9

Rent, coal, etc. 75
Wadsworth, Jan. P.R. 85 13 1
" Feb. P.R. 75

Printing, station-
ery 20 2
Book a/cs, approx. 388 11 6
Feb. salaries,
less insurance 64 9 8
P.U.S. Fees (Miss
Mason 245
Meetings, Withers 2 8

Credit Balance 690 3 10
£1646 8 10

£1646:8:10

*Add Deposit a/c 550
237:10:0
£787:10:0

Correspondence.

1) Mrs. Franklin brought forward a letter from Mr. Seeborn, resigning from the Executive Committee, owing to his difficulty in attending the Committee Meetings.

This was accepted with regret, and it was agreed that the members should suggest names at the next meeting for the co-option of another member in his place.

2) Miss Morton read a letter from the Burgess Hill Branch, containing the following resolution to be laid before the Committee:-

"The Burgess Hill Branch of the P.N.E.U. consider that the suggested curtailment of expenditure by the Government on Education, will be disastrous to the children of this country and therefore to the country itself and trusts that the Executive of the P.N.E.U. will endeavour to influence public opinion in the matter.

Carried unanimously."

A somewhat similar letter had been sent to Mrs. Franklin by Miss Oldham, Head Mistress, Streatham Hill High School, reporting the action taken by the Special Committee of London Branches of Educational Teachers' Associations.

After discussion, the Chairman proposed the following resolution which was carried unanimously:-

"That the Executive Committee of the Parents' National Educational Union, while recognising with regret the necessity of the expenditure on Public Education being reduced proportionately to the reduction in the other national services, yet condemns several of the particular methods proposed in the Geddes Report and trusts that the methods of securing the necessary economy will be left to the discretion of responsible educational authorities."

*Proposed by the Chairman
Seconded by Lady Celia Coates*

Correspondence. (cont.)

The Committee agreed that this resolution should be sent to Burges Hill, and to the Rt. Hon. H. A. L. Fisher. Mrs. Franklin would answer personally the letter from Miss Oldham.

Arrangements for Annual Conference.

Mrs. Franklin read the answer from the Wayfarers Travel Agency, who had done all they could to secure a cheaper rate on the railway for the Conference in May, but found the railways were still under the Ministry of Transport.

It was agreed that the Ministry of Transport should be approached on the matter.

Mrs. Franklin then read the notice of the Conference to be printed as a leaflet and inserted each month in the Review.

Annual Meeting & Report.

Mrs. Franklin had approached several speakers for the Annual Meeting and was waiting to hear from Mr. Lascelles Abercrombie as to whether he would speak for a fee of five guineas. If he were unable to come Mrs. Franklin would write to Mr. John Drinkwater or Mrs. Maxwell Garnett.

The Committee agreed to this.

Lady Celia Coates was asked to write the Report for 1921 - 1922 and agreed to do so.

Propaganda Committee Report.

A report of the last Committee meeting on 18th Jan. 1922 was read by Mrs. Howard Glover and approved. The Hon. Organising Secretary had addressed 3 meetings, and Miss Pennethorne, 10.

Branch Reports.

Branch Reports having already appeared in the Propaganda Report they were not taken again. The General Secretary reported new Branches in New Zealand, and a new Area at Bournemouth. Branch lectures for the month appeared in the Review as usual. No Branch Representatives were present to report.

Office Notes.

Since 13th December, 1921 there had been 237 callers at the Office. 75 members had discontinued; 140 people had joined, of whom 60 were in the P.U.S. The list of new members was read by the Secretary and approved/accepted by the Committee.

Twelve shillings had been collected towards a wedding gift for Princess Mary, presented by the National Council of Women on behalf of its affiliated Societies.

It was reported that the new library catalogue had been prepared by Miss Young, Ex-student, House of Education, and was now finished and in the printers' hands.

The Committee asked Miss Morton to convey their thanks to Miss Young, and to offer her any out-of-pocket expenses that she might have incurred during the last three months while working for them.

Such other Business as may arise.

Mrs. Bishop Harman, a Representative on the London National Council for combating Venereal Diseases, reported that a letter was being sent to all societies interested asking them to send representatives on to a small committee that was being formed in connection with the similar French society, for watching and reporting results in education at schools and elsewhere.

Mrs. Bishop Harman was asked to represent the Union and to attend the Conference if possible. Mrs. Harman agreed to attend the Committee as much as possible, but could not promise anything more.

Date of next Meeting. The next meeting was fixed for Tuesday, 21st March at 2.45 p.m.

*11 Estlin White
March 21.22.*

MINUTES OF THE EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE MEETING HELD AT 26 VICTORIA STREET, S.W.1,
ON TUESDAY, MARCH 21st. 1922.

PRESENT. The Rev. H. Costley White in the Chair.
The Marchioness of Aberdeen & Temair. (President.)
Mrs. Whitaker Thompson. (Vice-President.)
Mrs. Bowen Colthurst. (Dublin Branch.)
The Hon. Mrs. Franklin. (Hon. Sec.)
The Hon. Mrs. D'Arcy Hart. (London Branch.)
Mrs. MacNair. (Woking Branch.)
Colonel the Hon. Douglas Carnegie. (Hon. Treasurer.)
The Lady Helen Cassel.
Mrs. Evan Campbell,
Miss Macdonald.
Mrs. Fyfe,
Mrs. Bishop Harman,
Miss Lambert (Ambleside Students' Association.)
Mrs. Howard Glover.

MINUTES. The Minutes were confirmed and signed by the Chairman.

ARISING OUT OF THE MINUTES.

- (1) Conference, May 29th. to June 1st. 1922. Mrs. Franklin reported that Miss Mason had written that Miss MacVay would undertake to book rooms for members wishing to attend the Conference and that Miss Mason had undertaken that the P.N.E.U. would pay her £10 and expenses for the work.

It was agreed by the Committee that if Miss Mason had settled the payment with Miss MacVay, the question was out of their hands and to be left as arranged by Miss Mason.

- (2) Annual Meeting. Mrs. Franklin reported that the Annual Meeting would be on May 26th. as suggested at the last Propaganda Committee Meeting. The time fixed was 4.45 pm. and it was to be held in the Big School, Westminster School, by kind permission of the Rev. H. Costley White. It would be followed by a lecture, and the Speaker would be Mr. Lancelles Abercrombie.

The Meeting was to be the Annual Ordinary General Meeting required by the Articles of Incorporation to include the election of the Council, etc. and general business of the Union.

- (3) The election of another member to the Executive Committee, instead of Mr. Seebohm was postponed until after the Ambleside Conference.

Proposed. The Hon. Mrs. Franklin,
Seconded. The Chairman.
Agreed unanimously.

APOLOGIES. Apologies for absence were received from Lady Celia Coates, Lady Campbell, Mrs. Corbett Ashby, Mrs. Buchan, Mrs. Cole, and Mrs. Baker (Wanstead Branch.)

FINANCE. The books were now ^{with} the auditors, so there could be no financial statement this month.

CORRESPONDENCE.

- (1) A letter from Mr. Household, Education Secretary, Gloucestershire, was read, thanking Miss Pennethorne for her excellent help in the schools during her visit early in March.

- (2) Mr. Hurdle, Haresfield C. of P. School, Glos. wrote thanking the P.N.E.U. for the improvement in his school, which he attributed to the inspiration of of Miss Mason's teaching, used in the school during the last six months.

- (3) The ticket to the Congres Familiale, Paris, early in April was offered to any member of the Committee who thought they could attend.

Mrs. Franklin said that she understood from Miss Pennethorne that Miss Lawe, P.N.E.U. School, Torquay, might be in Paris, and was in sympathy with the Congress and would attend, if possible.

- (4) The letter offering a free gift of training at Ambleside to some suitable candidate, in connection with the funds raised during the war.

Lady Aberdeen mentioned that such a gift might still be available for a suitable candidate, although the date named was passed.

- (5) Parents' Association. The attention of the Committee was drawn to this new association. This new society had been formed early in the year, and the Hon. Sec. had then written to their officials pointing out that the P.N.E.U. had existed for many years.

Their reply was read by the Chairman, in which they said they knew the P.N.E.U. well, but did not wish to associate themselves with any one educational association.

BRANCH REPORTS.

Dublin. Mrs. Bowen Colthurst, Hon. Sec. gave an ^{12072MCT4} interesting report of their Branch and their lectures. There were now 35 members, the lectures were well attended, particularly the Musical Appreciation and Art Lectures.

St. Albans. Miss Underhill, Hon. Sec. said that they had had some very good lectures during the winter session, and they were well attended. The Branch hoped to have some Nature Walks during the summer.

Woking. Mrs. MacNair, Hon. Sec. reported 41 members in the Branch. There had been a good number of Meetings during the winter, but the attendance was a little uncertain.

OFFICE NEWS.

Since February 14th. there had been 104 callers, 34 new members, including 20 P.U.S. and there were 50 discontinued.

The names of the new members were read by the Chairman for the approval of the Committee.

Proposed. Colonel the Hon. Douglas Carnegie.

Seconded. The Lady Helen Cassel,
Agreed Unanimously.

The Secretary was asked to bring the names of new Branch members before the Committee in the same way from time to time.

SUCH OTHER BUSINESS AS MAY ARISE.

Mrs. Franklin read Miss Penetorne's letters on her Meetings during the last three weeks that she was away in the South of England.

Workers' Library. Miss Macdonald, P.N.E.U. representative on their Committee reported their progress through the winter. They wished to increase their usefulness by opening new centres in the country.

A new central library in Great Russell Street had been opened. So far the workers' library dealt largely with novels, but it might prove an opportunity of circulating better books with some of the P.N.E.U. ideals, and Miss Macdonald suggested that old bound copies of the Reviews might be sent to the new centres, and that we might interest local members of the P.N.E.U. so as to get more books for them. Mrs. Howard Glover & Mrs D'Arcy Hart promised to send old bound copies of the Review.

The Committee agreed that such help should be given to the Workers' Library.

DATE OF NEXT MEETING. Wednesday, May 24th. at 2.15 o'clock.